

when determining the economic benefits of projects that benefit disadvantaged communities.

SA 2448. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 2153, line 6, insert “satellites,” after “fiber.”

SA 2449. Mr. DAINES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 1799, strike line 13 and all that follows through page 1800, line 10, and insert the following:

(15) \$300,000,000 shall be made available for post-fire restoration activities that are implemented not later than 3 years after the date that a wildland fire is contained, of which—

(A) \$125,000,000 shall be made available to the Secretary of the Interior; and

(B) \$175,000,000 shall be made available to the Secretary of Agriculture;

On page 1800, line 11, strike “(17)” and insert “(16)”.

On page 1800, line 17, strike “(18)” and insert “(17)”.

On page 1816, strike lines 1 through 12 and insert the following:

(2) \$300,000,000 shall be made available to provide to States and Indian Tribes for implementing restoration projects on Federal land pursuant to good neighbor agreements entered into under section 8206 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (16 U.S.C. 2113a) or agreements entered into under section 2(b) of the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004 (25 U.S.C. 3115a(b)), of which—

(A) \$60,000,000 shall be made available to the Secretary of the Interior; and

(B) \$240,000,000 shall be made available to the Secretary of Agriculture;

On page 2568, line 12, strike “\$905,000,000” and insert “\$925,000,000”.

On page 2568, line 15, strike “\$337,000,000” and insert “\$341,000,000”.

On page 2568, line 17, strike “\$142,000,000” and insert “\$146,000,000”.

On page 2568, line 18, strike “\$142,000,000” and insert “\$146,000,000”.

On page 2568, line 20, strike “\$142,000,000” and insert “\$146,000,000”.

On page 2568, line 22, strike “\$142,000,000” and insert “\$146,000,000”.

On page 2570, line 19, strike “\$1,055,000,000” and insert “\$980,000,000”.

On page 2570, line 23, strike “\$327,000,000” and insert “\$312,000,000”.

On page 2570, line 25, strike “\$182,000,000” and insert “\$167,000,000”.

On page 2608, line 17, strike “\$2,115,000,000” and insert “\$2,095,000,000”.

On page 2608, line 21, strike “\$587,000,000” and insert “\$583,000,000”.

On page 2608, line 23, strike “\$382,000,000” and insert “\$378,000,000”.

On page 2613, line 18, strike “\$696,200,000” and insert “\$771,200,000”.

On page 2613, line 23, strike “\$552,200,000” and insert “\$567,200,000”.

On page 2613, line 24, strike “\$36,000,000” and insert “\$51,000,000”.

On page 2614, line 1, strike \$36,000,000 and insert “\$51,000,000”.

On page 2614, line 3, strike “\$36,000,000” and insert “\$51,000,000”.

On page 2614, line 4, strike “\$36,000,000” and insert “\$51,000,000”.

SA 2450. Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. DAINES, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. CRAMER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title I of division A, add the following:

SEC. 112. EXEMPTIONS FOR LOW POPULATION DENSITY STATES.

Section 150 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(f) EXEMPTIONS FOR LOW POPULATION DENSITY STATES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall grant, on the election of and in consultation with a State, an exemption from 1 or more of the requirements described in paragraph (2)(A) if the State—

“(A) is on the list of eligible States under paragraph (5) for the applicable performance period; and

“(B) provides a written notice of the election that includes an explanation under paragraph (4)(A).

“(2) REQUIREMENTS DESCRIBED.—

“(A) STATE REQUIREMENTS.—The requirements from which a State described in paragraph (1) may elect an exemption are—

“(i) requirements established under subclauses (IV) and (V) of subsection (c)(3)(A)(ii);

“(ii) requirements established under subsection (c)(5)(A);

“(iii) requirements established under subsection (c)(6); and

“(iv) targeting, data, reporting, or administrative requirements established under subsections (d) and (e) that are related to a requirement described in clause (i), (ii), or (iii) from which the State elects to receive an exemption.

“(B) METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION REQUIREMENTS.—A metropolitan planning organization with a metropolitan planning area that is located entirely within a State that is exempt shall be exempt from the requirements under section 134(h)(2)(B) that relate to each measure described in subparagraph (A) from which the State of the metropolitan planning organization is exempt.

“(3) TERM.—An exemption applied under paragraph (1) —

“(A) shall be in effect until the date that is 4 years after the date on which the performance period promulgated by the Secretary under subsection (d) in effect at the time the exemption is applied ends; and

“(B) may be renewed by the State for an additional 4-year term at the end of each performance period if, in accordance with paragraph (4)—

“(i) the State submits another written explanation; and

“(ii) the State continues to be included on the list of eligible States under paragraph (5).

“(4) NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION OF EXEMPTION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to make an election under paragraph (1), not later than September 1 of the calendar year preceding the calendar year in which the next performance period promulgated by the Secretary under subsection (d) begins, a State described in that paragraph—

“(i) shall submit to the Secretary—

“(I) identification of the 1 or more requirements described in paragraph (2)(A) for which an exemption is elected; and

“(II) a written notice that includes an explanation advising the Secretary that the State is not experiencing significant performance issues on the surface transportation system of the State with respect to each requirement referred to in subclause (I); and

“(ii) may submit to the Secretary any other information or material that the State chooses to include in the notice.

“(B) SPECIAL RULE.—Notwithstanding the deadline described in subparagraph (A), a State described in paragraph (1) may submit a notice under subparagraph (A) at any time before September 1, 2022.

“(5) ELIGIBLE STATES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this subsection and thereafter, on each September 1 of the calendar year 2 years prior to the calendar year in which the next performance period promulgated by the Secretary under subsection (d) begins, the Secretary shall publish a list of States that may elect to receive an exemption from a requirement described in paragraph (2)(A).

“(B) INCLUSIONS.—The Secretary shall include on the list under subparagraph (A)—

“(i) any State that—

“(I) has a population per square mile of area that is less than the population per square mile of area of the United States, based on the latest available Bureau of the Census data at the time the Secretary publishes the list;

“(II) does not include an urbanized area with a population of over 200,000 within the State; and

“(III) has no repeated delays or other persistent impediments to travel reliability on the portions of the National Highway System in the State that the Secretary determines to be excessive; and

“(ii) based on the latest available Bureau of the Census data at the time the Secretary publishes the list, any State that—

“(I) has a population density of less than 15 persons per square mile of area; and

“(II) does not include an urbanized area with a population of over 200,000.

“(6) NATIONAL REPORTING.—

“(A) ELIGIBLE STATES.—For each State included on the list of eligible States under paragraph (5), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report on the status of traffic congestion, travel reliability, truck travel reliability, and any other relevant performance metrics on the portions of the National Highway System in the State, including any delays or impediments that the Secretary determines to be excessive.